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In re Patent Application of:
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For: PROCESS FOR RECOVERING
POLYHYDROXIALKANOATES ("PHAS")
FROM CELLULAR BIOMASS

Examiner: M. A. Audet

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page ⁴~~4~~ of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page ¹³~~4~~ of this paper.

A petition for a two-month extension of time and the accompanying fee are submitted with this response. If the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") determines that any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency and/or credit any refund owed to Deposit Account No. 04-0100.